alongwith Central Bureau of Investigation;

(b) if so, to what extent have the Commission and Bureau helped in preventing the corruption and nabbing the culprits;

(c) whether matters brought to the notice of the C.V.C keep on dragging for years;

(d) if so, what good is of C.V.C. and the steps taken to expedite the disposal of the cases under its consideration; and

(e) how many cases are pending with C.V.C. for investigation for over one year giving details thereof and the reasons for the abnormal delay in finalising the investigation and submitting reports thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SMT MARGARET ALVA): (a) No, Sir. The Central Vigilance Commission was set-up in February, 1964

(b) The advice of the C.V.C. and the investigations of the C B I have helped in checking corruption as well as in apprehending the culprits.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e) Do not arise in view of the answer to (c) above. Further the Commission does not investigate; it tenders advice on the information reports submitted to it.

Appointment without ACC approval

426. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) how many 1978 Batch IAS Officers have been appointed|designated as Joint Secretary, non-Ministerial Deputation Post;

(b) whether any case has been brought to the notice of the Ministry where appointments have been made without ACC approval|concurrence| information; and

(c) if so, what action has been taken by Ministry in such cases to maintain parity in the service?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SMT. MARGARET ALVA): (a) The 1978 batch IAS officers have not become eligible for appointment as Joint Secretary to the Govt. of India. Hence, no officer belonging to this batch has been apopinted to this level.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arises.

Panel for M.D. in B.L.C. Ltd., Agra

427. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the PESB has created a panel of selected candidates for the post of Managing Director in Bharat Leather Corporation Limited, Agra;

(b) whether the PESB could select only one candidate for the post whose antecedents are doubtful and call for investigation;

(c) whether Government would intervene to ensure fair selection and to rebuild the image of PESB; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SMT. MARGARET ALVA): (a) and (b) The Public Enterprises Selection Board has, after assessing the suitability of candidates, found only one candidate suitable for the